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For: DEVICE FOR PACKAGING)
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PRODUCT AND)
MANUFACTURING METHODS)

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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached IDS Form PTO/SB/08. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a final Office Action, Quayle Action, or Notice of Allowance. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by a fee payment of \$180.00 as specified by Section 1.17(p).

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JU-A H05-74412 - This document was cited in a Notice of Rejection issued by the Japanese Patent Office on January 17, 2006, in a Japanese counterpart to the

present application. A copy of the Notice of Rejection and its English-language translation have been submitted herewith, and may provide the relevance of this document. Applicant has also provided an English-language machine translation of this document.

JP-A 2001-315860 - This document was cited in the above-mentioned Notice of Rejection, which may provide its relevance. Further, this document claims the benefit of priority of the same document, FR 001902, as US 2001/0031168 A1, which has also been listed on the IDS Form PTO/SB/08 submitted herewith.

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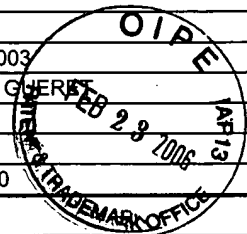
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